

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 2-3, 5-17, 19-20 and 22-26 are pending, with Claims 1, 4, 18 and 21 canceled and Claims 2, 3, 7-9, 12, 19, 20, and 24-26 amended by the present amendment.

In the Official Action, Claims 1-4, 7-9, 12, 18-21 and 24-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Chiang et al. (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0158798, hereinafter Chiang); and Claims 5, 6, 10, 11, 13-17 and 22-23 were allowed.

Applicants acknowledge appreciation and indication of allowable subject matter.

Claims 2, 3, 7-9 and 12 are amended to depend from allowed Claim 5. Claims 19, 20, and 24-26 are amended to depend from allowed Claim 22. Rejected Claims 1, 4, 18 and 21 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendment and in light of the previous discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable action to that effect.

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